Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, An average of 500 South Dakota children require placement in family foster homes each month as a result of chronic or continuing abuse and/or neglect; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota currently has 550 licensed family foster homes which provide twenty-four hour care and supervision for abused and/or neglected children; and

WHEREAS, These families provide invaluable service to the state of South Dakota and its children; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota is experiencing an urgent need for more families to become licensed as family foster homes; and,

WHEREAS, May, 1987, has been designated as National Foster Parent Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1937, as

FOSTER PARENT APPRECIATION AND AWARENESS MONTH

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-First Day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELINE, SECRETARY OF STATE